

Legislative Report



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FYI – PSBA Governance Review



- PSBA will be conducting a thorough examination of its statewide governance structure. This includes review of:
 - the existing composition of the association's Board of Directors and committees;
 - the charges to and responsibilities of each;
 - connections with other PSBA entities and related organizations;
 - and the need to create new or to eliminate or revise duties of existing elements of the governance structure in order to be in full alignment with the association's strategic plan and to meet future membership needs.
- This process will be guided by a Governance Review Committee (GRC) comprised of 12 school board members from across Pennsylvania. Tom Zimmerman, Willamsport SD has been appointed chair. Locally, Joe Bennett, Otto-Eldred SD is serving. An outside facilitator will be hired to assist in this process.

Pension Issue



- <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ia-5evwxrMM>
- Highlights of OP-ED “School Board Association has solution for pension crisis” T. Gentzel.



- Pension Crisis: Links/Resources from PSBA and PSERS

- <http://www.psba.org/issues-advocacy/issues-research/pension-reform/index.asp#video>

- http://www.psers.state.pa.us/press/pension_funding_issues/index.html

http://www.psers.state.pa.us/press/pension_funding_issues/pdf/20091211%20Rate%20Pres%20FINAL.pdf

FYI – Sen. Educ. Committee approved



- **SB 1086** abolishes primary elections for school director nominations beginning in 2011, with school directors being elected at the November municipal elections beginning the same year. This bill also requires nomination papers for school directors to be filed without regard to political party membership. Papers for a school district of the first class must include at least 250 signatures by qualified electors; 200 signatures for districts of the first class A; 100 for districts of the second class; 50 for districts of the third class; and 25 for districts of the fourth class.